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Nice Xmas Present For The Supervisors

**Murray Springs Surprise at
Close of Stormy Session
of the Board**

It was a nice little Christmas present that Supervisor Murray handed to the board at its meeting in the city hall last night. At that time there were members of the board who seemed to feel peeved when they discovered that instead of having but a beggerly \$5000 on which to run the city and county business for the last month of the year, there will be something between \$11,000 and \$14,000, accruing from expended balances on appropriations.

Murray it appeared had been dissatisfied with the statement handed in by Supervisor Low at a previous meeting and had gone to the auditor's department to get his figures. Low kicked furiously but quailed when the figures themselves showed up. James Lloyd, deputy auditor, who was present, came gamely to the defense of his office and declared that Murray's figures were correct.

Some Of The Items.
The appropriation for license commissioners would not be used, said Murray and only \$7 of the \$900 appropriation for the juvenile court had been expended. There was a balance of about \$1100 from the repairs made to the Makiki ditch.

The board went into committee of the whole and the Murray resolutions were read as follows:

From the road tax fund for Honolulu district, \$3900 for repairs to Maunakea street, Kaimuki roads, Nuuanu avenue at the Dowsett junction and repairs along King street while waiting for the Rapid Transit to do its share of the paving. From the permanent improvement fund, \$6010 for repairs to a bridge in Koolan, storm drain in Kaimuki, and bitulithic pavement from end of Queen street bridge to Hackfield wharf, the latter item amounting to \$3950. For the Ewa district \$1190.34, and for election expenses \$101, the latter from the general fund. The items were favorably reported.

Primer For Fray.

Hardly had the clerk finished the reading of the minutes of former meetings, when a row started. Of course it was Low that was responsible. He wanted to know why in the name of all that is decent in civic government what the dickens the Mayor meant by "O. King's" bill for \$1818.61 for repairs to the "Mayor's automobile." Of course if the mayor insisted that the bill from the Schuman garage was correct, he merely an humble supervisor would not presume to doubt His Honor's word, but well it looked very strange. It came out later that the machine was taken to the garage suffering from a severe case of "bumpitis," the symptoms of which developed after a hurried trip, to the other side of the island taken by Supervisor Low and others. Low remembered the "bump" but failed to recollect anything amiss with the car. The foolery was cut short after it dragged its weary length over the fifteen or twenty minutes of the board's time, by the approval of the bill.

Undismayed Low returned to the charge later when he introduced a resolution providing that summary arrests shall follow the use of oil in the market. Murray managed to get twenty-four hours grace for the market men, but after today any violation of the rule will be followed by a trip to the police station and an appearance in the police court.

Clean Out Tenements
Supervisor Murray found fault with some of the statements made at the big mass meeting held in the Bijou theater last Sunday night.

"Let the police rid the tenements around Kukui street and in that vicinity of the hangers-on and prostitutes, and prevent parents from sending their daughters to the pool and coffee shops, and perhaps an improvement of social conditions may be made," he said.

He moved that a letter be addressed to Sheriff Jarrett calling his attention to the need of clearing out the tenement house district of prostitutes and making arrests.

Attention was called to the workings of the dance hall ordinance. Murray stated that the Filipino dance hall, while under the supervision of the dance hall inspectors, was not what should be established here. The inspectors are preparing to report to the humane society concerning the workings of the ordinance with respect to this fifteen-cent dance hall and a report would be sent to the board of supervisors from the society. It was stated that young girls were going to this hall where men, under

the influence of liquor danced with them.

The city fathers want the Gas Company to supply certain street lights under the terms of its franchise, and secured an opinion from Deputy City Attorney Milverton. The latter, while passing the matter up to the superintendent of public works, stated that he had looked over the company's charter, originally granted to W. W. Dimond and associates, and afterwards taken over by the Honolulu Gas Company, and found that there were several obligations on the part of the company, one provision being that the superintendent shall require the company to furnish free gas for fifty street lamps and thereafter furnish five more each year.

Nearly all the department heads reported that they were well within their appropriations and would not run over them with bills.

Governor Frear, through Mayor Fern notified the board of his proposal to organize a non-partisan committee to handle the proposed charter revision question, and asked that the city and county appoint three, with the mayor as one member. The Governor suggested that the present board of supervisors name one member and the incoming board the third one. The matter was laid over to the next meeting.

A NEW QUIXOTE COMES TILTING AT FRUIT FLY LAW

HILLO, Hawaii, Dec. 2.—Charged with violating the regulations of the board of agriculture and forestry, Attorney A. G. Correa was arrested here last Saturday. The regulation provides against the importation into any other district of any fruit grown in North Kohala, and Correa allowed himself to be arrested in the endeavor to test the validity of the regulation, claiming that it is unconstitutional, and that he will succeed in doing away with it.

Correa was a passenger on the Keauhou, which arrived here last Saturday from Kona, and he had in his possession a bunch of oranges which he had brought from Kawaihae. He was stopped by Inspector Christian, the fruit fly inspector, who demanded the fruit, but Correa refused to give them up. He said that Christian might examine the fruit but he would not allow the destruction of the fruit, as it was not infested, he claimed.

Christian explained that he was not authorized to inspect the fruit, but to destroy it, and this he proposed to do. He was told that the only way in which he could get possession of the fruit was by using force.

Inspector Joe Caceres was then sent for, who is in charge of the office of the board of health, during the absence of Chief Bowman, who went to the wharf and had the same experience with Correa, as Christian did. Correa refused to give up the oranges and when threatened with arrest answered that it was immaterial to him. A warrant was sworn out for Correa's arrest on a charge of violating the rule of the board of agriculture and forestry, and after being arrested he was allowed his liberty on his own recognizance. The case came up before Judge Wise this morning and will be continued until next Thursday.

'PLAY NUMBER' OF THE ENGINEERING IDLER OUT

The play number of the "Engineering Idler" has been issued at the College of Hawaii this week and is exceedingly clever. Its pages are chiefly devoted to accounts of the play given Thanksgiving week, which accounts are both humorous and serious. The "art supplement" includes several interesting cuts of the student actors.

The staff of the "Engineering Idler" has kindly offered the sheets of its next issue to the co-eds of the college, and it is likely that they will accept the opportunity to make known the feminine views of school activities.

"Though this is the first year of the 'Idler' and the facilities for producing it are rather poor, it has proved a great success at the college and there is no doubt but that it will be permanent. The college has long felt the lack of a school paper and so this one has been given a hearty welcome. The staff is composed only of student members of the college, of which Ted Tracy is the editor-in-chief. The paper is issued every two weeks on Monday.

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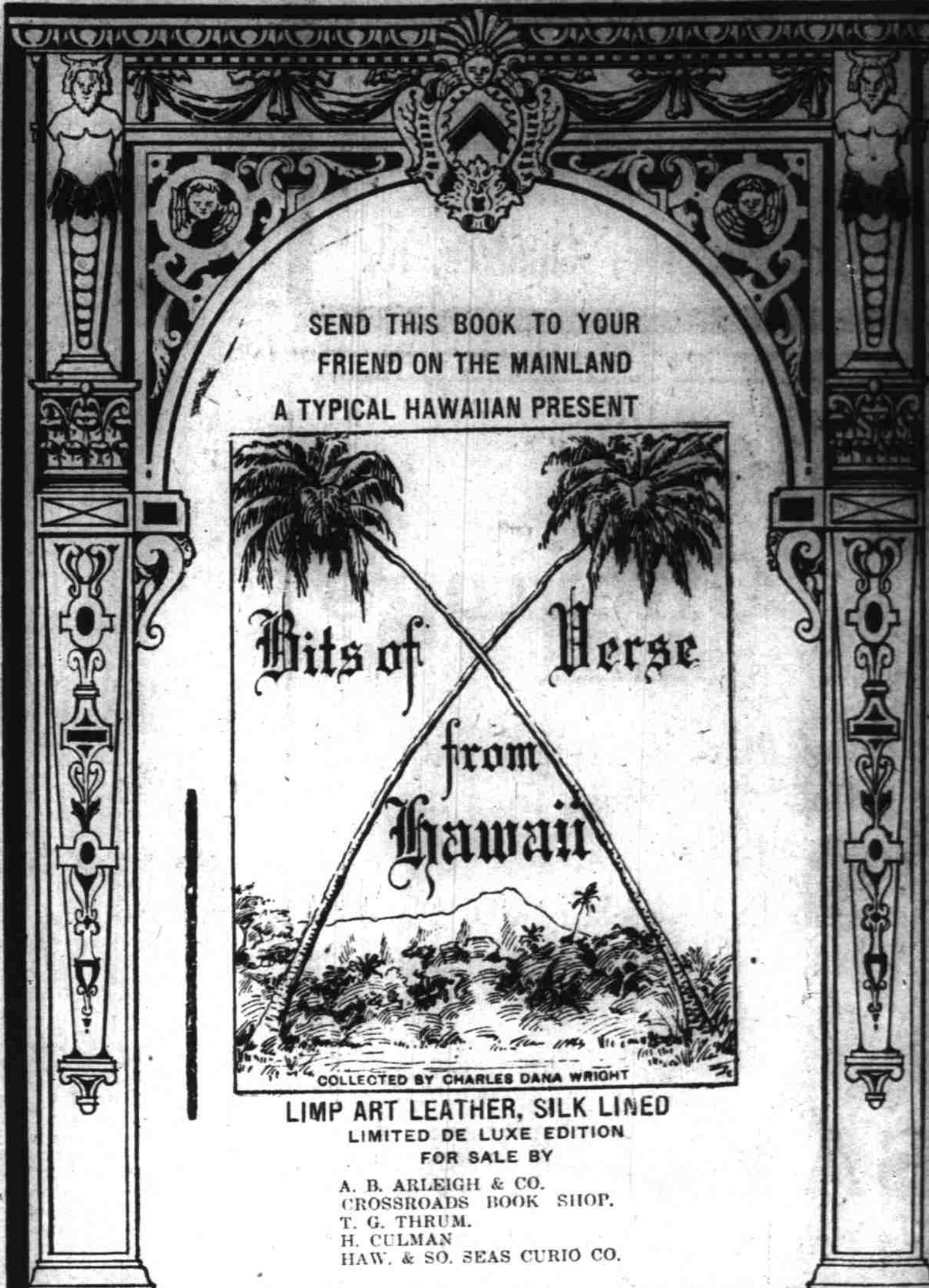
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